# A CHECKLIST OF PLANTS FOUND GROWING IN A NATIVE OR NATURALISED STATE ON CULEENUP ISLAND, YUNDERUP, WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

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## INTRODUCTION

Members of the Western Australian Naturalists' Club have been visiting the islands of the Yunderup delta and keeping records of the flora and fauna since 1967. The first written record of these studies was a collation of observations put together by D.L. Serventy (1970) to correspond with the vesting of Lots 8 and 9, Culeenup Island, in the Club for the purpose of "Field Station". The botanical list, of 67 spp, was organised by E. Kniep and identified by the WA Herbarium.

Further collections during the early 1970s, collated by one of the authors (BMJH) and identified by the WA Herbarium, were published in "The Naturalists' News" in 1974.

Since the completion of the Field Study Centre on the Club's block at Yunderup, numerous opportunistic plant collections have been made. In 1989, two of the authors (D.A. and S.L.) suggested that it was time to collate all the information into a single document, and pay especial attention to naturalised plants, which have increased greatly in number and extent in recent years. Three excursions to further this aim were held during Sept/Oct/Dec 1990, when the island was extensively walked over, attempting to visit every possible location at least once. Mrs A. Annear also contributed a collection made during December 1990. The attached list is the result (see Table 1).

Voucher specimens of all plants collected during 1990 are held in the field herbarium at the Field Study Centre. A specimen of an unidentified *Isolepis* sp has been deposited in the Western Australian Herbarium.

## DISCUSSION

The published list of 1970 had 67 plants, of which 9 (13.4%) were introduced. The extra work of 1972/3 brought the total to 160 with 26 (16.3%) introduced. Currently the list stands at 263 spp, with 89 (33.8%) introduced. (17 species previously recorded were not noted in the current survey but have been included in this total list.)

The apparent increase in total numbers of introduced species is possibly not as great as may first appear, as both the earlier studies ignored the disturbed areas adjacent to the houses and the mill, whereas the current one searched those regions specifically.

Nevertheless, it is apparent that the total area dominated by *Watsonia bulbillifera* is increasing rapidly. It now dominates the channel banks and is increasing at a rapid rate in freshwater swamps and ephemeral wetlands. It is inhibited by deep water and salt, and therefore stops at the deep swamp, the ephemeral winter-wet areas around the salt lake and on channel banks to the

west where highly saline water occurs. Within these limitations, without deliberate human interference, it will come to dominate the entire land surface of the island within the next 20 years.

# Introduced species

The percentage of introduced species is higher than that recorded for the Perth region as a whole (27%: Marchant et al. 1987) which probably reflects the island's long history of European use and occupation (Richards 1980).

Grain was first brought to the mill in 1847 while at least one of the early occupants of the houses on Murray Terrace kept both sheep and goats. Various grasses, clovers and lupins could have been brought in by these activities. Plants introduced for ornamental reasons have naturalised and some, eg Amaryllis belladonna, Narcissus tazetta and Pelargonium x domesticum have often not spread far. However two recent introductions, Ferraria crispa and Babiana stricta are increasing very rapidly. Watsonia bulbillifera, which currently dominates large areas of the island, could have been brought deliberately, or propagules could have been carried downriver from sites upstream. The mode of introduction of other species is more obscure. Keighery (1978) for example, speculates that Cicendia filiformis (which was first recorded for WA during the 1972 survey of the island) could have been carried on the feet of birds. This could also apply to such species as Monopsis simplex and Juncus capitatus, while Solanum nigrum could have reached the island inside a bird.

## Plants not found in 1990

As stated above, 17 species noted earlier have not been re-recorded in 1990. There are probably several reasons for this:

The plant may have become locally extinct. This may have happened to Conospermum triplinerum, however it may still exist as propagules and reappear after fire.

Others, eg Alternanthera nodiflora, Lomandra suaevolens, and Wahlenbergia capensis, flower earlier or later than the visits, and so were missed. Despite extensive searching, only Centaurium erythraea was found, not the previously recorded C. spicata. However, Marchant et al (1987) records that these two species may have intermediate characteristics, so it is quite possible that a plant near to C. spicata could be present.

Six of the orchids collected during Oct 1972 have not been noted since. However, that year was unusual in that, during the previous summer, a severe fire had burnt out almost all the bush on the island and that, coupled with good winter rains, meant that the ephemeral wetlands were carpeted in orchids. Ephemerals on sandy areas were also more abundant, and it is probable that both Millotia myosotidifolia and Podotheca gnaphalioides both still occur on the island but, being small, escaped notice.

The reed, Schoenus subfascicularis, and the twine-rush, Leptocarpus aristatus, were also missed, possibly because of superficial similarity to some other species.

An aquatic, Crassula helmsii, was not noted, probably because deep wading was not undertaken.

All these plants have been included in the checklist but distinctively marked, so that future observers may look out for them.

In 1974, Oxalis polyphylla was recorded as occurring on Culeenup Island. However, a check of specimens held at the WA Herbarium, shows that it has now been transferred to Oxalis glabra.

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Table 1: Checklist of native or naturalised plants on Culeenup Island, Yunderup, Western Australia.

Arrangement follows Marchant et al (1987).

- \* = introduced
- § = not noted during 1990 survey.

## **OPHIOGLOSSACEAE**

Ophioglossum lusitanicum L. Common on the edges of freshwater swamps and ephemeral wetland.

## ZAMIACEAE

Macrozamia riedlei (Fischer ex Gaudich.) C. Gardner Occasional on sandy soil.

#### CUPRESSACEAE

Actinostrobus pyramidalis Miq. Uncommon on sandy soil in swamp.

#### LAURACEAE

Cassytha racemosa Nees. Common, parasitic on Melaleuca spp.

#### CASUARINACEAE

Casuarina obesa Miq. Major componant of fringing forest along all channels and around saltwater swamps.

#### **AIZOACEAE**

Carpobrotus edulis (L.) L. Bolus. Common on loose sandy soil.

Carpobrotus virescens (Haw.) Schwantes. Occasional on loose sandy soil.

#### CHENOPODIACEAE

Atriplex hypoleuca Nees. Common in dense shade at the western end of the island.

§ Chenopodium glaucum L. Occurs in swampy areas.

\* Chenopodium murale L. Occasional on disturbed ground.

Halosarcia halocnemoides (Nees) Paul G. Wilson. Common around salt lake and saline

Halosarcia indica ssp bidens (Nees) Paul G. Wilson. Common around margin of salt lake and saline flats.

Halosarcia syncarpa Paul G. Wilson. Uncommon around salt lake and saline flats.

Rhagodia baccata (Labill.) Miq. Common in shade at western end of island.

Sarcocornia quinqueflora (Bunge ex Ung-Sternb.) A.J. Scott. Common around salt lake and saline flats.

Sueda australis (R. Br.) Miq. Occasional on saline flats at western end of island.

Threlkeldia diffusa R. Br. Common around salt lake, saline flats and fringing channels at western end of island.

#### **AMARANTHACEAE**

§ Alternanthera nodiflora R. Br. Grows on the edge of swamps.

#### PORTULACACEAE

Calandrinia corrigioloides F. Muell. ex Benth. Occasional on sandy soil. Calandrinia granulifera Benth. Occasional on sandy soil.

## CARYOPHYLLACEAE

\* Cerastrium glomeratum Thuill. Occasional on disturbed sandy soil.

\* Petrorhagia velutina (Guss.) P. Ball & Heyw. Common on disturbed sandy soil.

Polycarpon tetraphyllum (L.) L. Occasional on disturbed sandy soil.

\* Silene gallica L. Common on disturbed sandy soil.

Spergula arvensis L. Occasional on disturbed sandy soil.

\* Stellaria media (L.) Villars Uncommon on disturbed sandy soil.

### POLYGONACEAE

\* Rumex acetosella L. Occasional in disturbed areas.

\* Rumex crispus L. Occasional in disturbed areas.

#### DROSERACEAE

Drosera gigantea Lindley Occasional on winter-wet soil.

Drosera glanduligera Lehm. Common on winter-wet soil.

Drosera menziesii R. Br. ex DC. Common on winter-wet soil.

Drosera menziesu R. Br. ex DC. Common on winter-wet soil.

Drosera stolonifera Endl. Occasional on winter-wet soil.

#### FRANKENIACEAE

Frankenia pauciflora DC. Very common around salt lake and on saline flats.

#### BRASSICACEAE

\* Cakile maritima Scop. Uncommon on sandy channel edges.

Raphanus raphanistrum L. Occasional on disturbed sandy soil.

### PRIMULACEAE

Anagallis arvensis L. Common in disturbed areas.
Samolus junceus R. Br. Common in freshwater swamp.
Samolus repens (Forster & G. Forster) Pers. Grows in swamps.

#### CRASSULACEAE

Crassula colorata (Nees) Ostenf. Common on sandy soil. Crassula decumbens Thumb. Common on disturbed winter-wet soil.

§ Crassula natans Thumb. Aquatic.

### **MIMOSACEAE**

 Acacia podalyriaefolia Cunn. ex Don. Numbers increasing slowly around houses at eastern end of island.

Acacia pulchella R. Br. Occasional on sandy soil. Increases after fire.

Acacia saligna (Labill.) H.I. Wendl. Common on sandy soil.

#### PAPILIONACEAE

Cytisus proliferus L. f. Numbers increasing from single introduction around houses.
 Dilluynia dilluynioides (Meissner) Druce Common around freshwater swamps and winterwet areas.

Gompholobium tomentosum Labill. Uncommon. Increases after fire.

Hardenbergia comptoniana (Andrews) Benth. Occasional on sandy soil.

Jacksonia furcellata (Bonpl.) DC. Very common on sandy soil.

Jacksonia stembergiana Huegel Common on sandy soil at eastern end of island.

Kennedia prostrata R. Br. Occasional on sandy soil.

\* Lotus suavcolons Pers. Common on disturbed areas of winter-wet soil.

- \* Lupinus angustifolius L. Common on sandy soil at the eastern end of the island.
- \* Lupinus cosentinii Guss. Occasional on sandy soil at the eastern end of the island.

\* Lupinus luteus L. Uncommon on sandy soil at the eastern end of the island.

- Lupinus mutabilis Sweet. Uncommon on sandy soil at the eastern end of the island.
- \* Medicago polymorpha L. Uncommon in disturbed sandy soil.
- \* Melilotus indica (L.) All. Occasional on disturbed sandy soil.
- \* Trifolium campestre Schreber. Common in disturbed areas.
- \* Trifolium dubium Sibth. Common in disturbed areas.
- \* Trifolium subterraneum L. Occasional around houses.

\* Vicia sativa L. Occasional on sandy soil.

Viminaria juncca (Schrader & Wendl.) Hoffsgg. Very common. Forms dense thickets around swamps and channels.

### PROTEACEAE

Banksia littoralis R. Br. Uncommon near swamps.

§ Conospermum triplinersum R. Br. Grows on sand.

Hakea prostrata R. Br. Common on sandy soil. Hakea varia R. Br. Uncommon on winter-wet soil.

## HALORAGACEAE

Gonocarpus nodulosus Nees. Common in winter-wet meadows.

Haloragis brownii (J.D. Hook.) Schindler Common in winter-wet meadows.

Myriophyllum drummondii Benth. Occasional in swampy areas.

## **MYRTACEAE**

Astartea fascicularis (Labill.) DC. Uncommon around freshwater swamps.

Calothamnus lateralis Lindley. Uncommon on sand close to swamps.

Eucalyptus rudis Endl. Dominant tree over most of the island.

Kunzea cricifolia (Smith) Heynh. Very common on higher sandy ridges.

Kunzea recurva Schauer. Uncommom on sand.

 Leptospermum laevigatum (Gaertner) F. Muell. A few plants spreading from a garden at the eastern end of the island.

Melaleuca cuticularis Labill. Common around channels and brackish swamps.

Melaleuca incana R. Br. Common in swamps.

Melaleuca rhaphiophylla Schauer. Very common in swamps and fringing channels.

Melaleuca uncinata R. Br. Common in swamps.

Melalcuca viminea Lindley. Very common in swamps.

## **SANTALACEAE**

Exocarpos sparteus R. Br. Uncommon on sandy soil.

## LORANTHACEAE

Amycma miquelii (Lehm. ex Miq.) Tieghem. Uncommon on Eucalyptus rudis. Lysiana casuarinae (Miq.) Tieghem. Common on Casuarina obesa.

## **EUPHORBIACEAE**

Poranthera microphylla Brongn. Occasional on sandy soil.

#### **OXALIDACEAE**

- \* Oxalis comiculata L. Occasional on disturbed sany soil.
- \* Oxalis glabra Thunb. Occasional around houses.
- \* Oxalis pes-caprae L. Common in disturbed ground.
- \* Oxalis purpurea L. Common on sandy soil around houses.

### **GERANIACEAE**

- \* Erodium botrys (Cav.) Bettol. Occasional on disturbed soil.
- Geranium molle L. Occasional among grass swards or meadows.
- \* Pelargonium x domesticum L. One population on sandy soil near houses.

#### APIACEAE

Apium prostratum Labill. ex Vent. Occasional in shady areas at the western end of the island.

Eryngium rostratum Cav. Common on winter-wet soil.

Homalosciadium homalocarpum (F. Muell.) H. Eichler. Common in the shade of low shrubs around swampy areas.

Hydrocotyle alata A. Rich. Very common in winter-wet areas. Hydrocotyle diantha DC. Common on winter-wet soil. Trachymene coerulea R.A. Graham. Grows on sand. Trachymene pilosa Smith. Common on sandy soil.

## GENTIANACEAE

\* Centaurium erythraea Rafn. Common on disturbed soil.

\*§ Centaurium spicatum (L.) Fritsch ex Janchen. Grows in disturbed areas.

\* Cicendia filiformis (L) Delarbre. Abundant on winter-wet soil.

#### SOLANACEAE

Anthocercis littorea Labill. Uncommon on sandy soil.

\* Solunum nigrum L. Occasional on disturbed ground.

#### **MENYANTHACEAE**

Villarsia capitata Nees. Common in swamps.

#### LAMIACEAE

\* Stachys arvensis (L.) L. Common on disturbed ground.

## **SCROPHULARIACEAE**

Dischisma arenarium E. Meyer. Uncommon on disturbed sandy soil.
 Glossostigma diandrum (L.) Kuntze. Occasional in swamps.
 Gratiola peruviana L. Occasional in winter-wet areas.

Parentucellia viscosa (L.) Caruel. Occasional in disturbed areas.

## **MYOPORACEAE**

Myoponum caprarioides Benth. Common along the river channels.

## **OROBANCHACEAE**

\* Orobanche minor Smith. Uncommon on sandy soil.

## LENTIBULARIACEAE

Polypompholyx multifida (R. Br.) Muell. Abundant in winter-wet meadows.

### CAMPANULACEAE

\*S Wahlenbergia capensis (L.) A. DC. Grows on sandy soil.

#### LOBELIACEAE

Lobelia alata Labill. Occasional in swampy areas. Lobelia tenuior R. Br. Occasional on sandy soil.

\* Monopsis simplex (L.) F. Wimmer Common on winter-wet soil.

#### STYLIDIACEAE

Stylidium brunonianum Benth. Occasional in winter-wet soil.

Stylidium calcaratum R. Br. Common on winter-wet soil.
Stylidium divaricatum Sonder. Common on non-brackish winter-wet soil.

Stylidium inundatum R. Br. Abundant on winter-wet soil.

Stylidium roseo-album R. Ericson & J.H. Willis. Occasional on winter-wet soil.

Stylidium utricularioides Benth. Occasional on winter-wet soil.

### GOODENIACEAE

Anthotium humile R. Br. Occasional in swamp.

Dampiera trigona Vriese. Abundant in swampy and winter-wet areas.

Goodenia filiformis R. Br. Common in winter-wet areas.

#### RUBIACEAE

Galium divaricatum Pourret ex Lam. Occasional in winter-wet areas.
 Opercularia vaginata Labill. Occasional on sandy areas.

#### ASTERACEAE

Angianthus drummondii (Turcz.) Benth. Common in winter-wet areas.

' Arctotheca calendula (L.) Levyns. Occasional in disturbed sandy areas.

Aster subidatus Michaux Common in dense shade on the western end of the island.
 Brachycome bellidioides Steetz. Abundant in winter-wet areas.

\* Conyza bonariensis (L.) Cronq. Occasional on sandy soil.

Cotula coronopifolia L. Very common on swamp edges.

Cotula cotuloides (Steetz) Druce Very common on swamp edges.

\* Cotula turbinata L. Common in disturbed sandy areas.

- \* Crepis vesicaria L. Uncommon in dense shade under wattle on sand.
- \* Dittrichia graveolens (L.) Greuter. Common on disturbed ground.

\* Hypochaeris glabra L. Abundant all over island.

- § Millotia rryosotidifolia (Benth.) Steetz. Grows on sandy soil. Myriocephalus helichrysoides A. Gray. Grows on winter-wet soil.
- § Podotheca gnaphalioides R.A. Graham. Grows on sandy soil. Podolepis gracilis (Lehm.) R.A. Graham. Locally common on non-saline winter-wet soil. Pogonolepis stricta Steetz One population on sand at edge of saline flat at western end of island.
- \* Pseudognaphalium luteoalbum (L.) Hilliard & B.L. Burtt. Uncommon on disturbed sandy soil.

Quinetia urvillei Cass. Abundant on winter-wet soil, especialy around swamps.

Rutidiosis multiflora (Nees) Robinson. Very common on winter-wet soil.

Senecio lautus G. Forster ex Willd. Occasional on sandy soil.

Siloxerus humifusus Labill. Locally common on non-saline winter-wet soil.

- \* Soliva pterosperma (A.L. Juss.) Less. Widespread in lawns and along paths near houses.
- Sonchus asper Hill. Occasional in disturbed areas.

\* Sonchus oleraceus L. Common in disturbed areas.

Ursina anthemoides (L.) Poiret. Very common on sandy soil.
 Waitzia citrina (Benth.) Steetz. Very common on sandy soil.

## JUNCAGINACEAE

Triglochin calcitrapa Hook. Very common in ephemeral swamps.

Triglochin centrocarpa Hook. Common in ephemeral swamps.

Triglochin mucronata R. Br. Common in ephemeral swamps.

Triglochin procera R. Br. Common in freshwater swamp with deep water.

Triglochin striata Ruiz Lopez & Pavon. Common in ephemeral swamps.

## **POTAMOGETONACEAE**

Ruppia maritima L. Common in salt lake.

#### ARACEAE

Zantedeschia aethiopica (L.) Sprengel. Uncommon in deep shade.

#### DASYPOGONACEAE

§ Lomandra suaveolens (Endl.) Ewart. Grows on sandy soil.

#### **PHORMIACEAE**

Dianella divaricata R. Br. Uncommon on sandy soil.

#### ANTHERICACEAE

Arthropodium capillipes Endl. Common on sandy soil.

Borya scirpoidea Lindley. Occasional in winter-wet areas.

Caesia parviflora R. Br. Common on sandy soil.

Chamaescilla corymbosa (R. Br.) F. Muell. ex Benth. Common on sandy soil.

Corynotheca micrantha (Lindley) J.F. Macbride. Occasional on sandy soil.

Sowerbaea laxiflora Lindley. Very common on sandy soil.

Thysanous manglesianus Kunth. Common on sandy soil.

Thysanotus sp. Common in winter-wet areas.

Tricoryne eliator R.Br. Uncommon on sandy soil.

### **ASPHODELACEAE**

Bulbine semibarbata (R. Br.) Haw. Uncommon in damp shady areas.

## **AMARYLLIDACEAE**

- \* Amaryllis belladona L. Increasing slowly near houses.
- \* Narcissus tazetta L. Increasing slowly near houses.

## COLCHICACEAE

Burchardia multiflora Lindley. Common on winter-wet soil.

## IRIDACEAE

- \* Babiana stricta (Aiton) Ker Gawler. Locally dominant in two dense populations near bouses.
- \* Ferraria crispa Burman. Very common in disturbed sand.

Freesia aff leichtlinii Klatt. Uncommon around houses.

- Gladiolus undulatus L. Occasional in non-saline wet areas.
- Homeria flaccida Sweet. Common on disturbed ground.
- Ixia maculata L. Small population near one house.

Patersonia occidentalis R. Br. Uncommon on sandy soil.

Romulea flava (Lam.) De Vos. Uncommon on sandy soil.

Romulea rosea (L.) Ecklon. Common on sandy soil.

Tritonia lineata (Salish.) Ker Gawler. Small population near one house.

Watsonia bulbillifera J. Mathews & I Bolus. Dominates the ground layer around fringing channels. Increasingly dominant dense populations on sand and winter-wet soil, except in saline areas.

## **ORCHIDACEAE**

Caladenia deformis R. Br. Occasional on winter-wet soil.

Caladenia flava R. Br. Common on sandy soil.

Caladenia gemmata Lindley, Occasional on sandy soil.

Caladenia huegelii H.G. Reichb. Occasional on winter-wet soil.

Caladenia latifolia R. Br. In shady areas on sandy soil.

§ Caladenia longicaudata Lindley. Grows on sand.

Caladenia marginata Lindley. Occasional on sandy soil.

Caladenia menziesii R. Br. Occasional on sandy winter-wet areas.

§ Caladenia sp B (filamentosa ) R. Br. Grows on winter-wet ground. Diuris laxiflora Lindley. Common on winter-wet soil. Diuris longifolia R. Br. Occasional in sandy areas.

§ Elythranthera brunonis (Endl.) A.S. George, Occasional on sandy soil.

§ Elythranthera emarginata (Lindley) A.S. George. Occasional on winter-wet soil.

Lyperanthus nigricans R. Br. Occasional in shady areas. Microtis orbicularis R.S. Rogers. Common in winter-wet areas.

Microtis unifolia (G. Forster) H.G. Reichb. Common in winter-wet areas.

Monadenia bracteata (Sw.) T. Durand & Schinz. Locally common around houses at eastern end of island.

Prasophyllum macrostachyum R. Br. Occasional in winter-wet areas.

Prasophyllum ovale Lindley. Occasional at edges of winter-wet depressions.

§ Pterostylis nana R. Br. Occasional in shady areas.

Thelymitra antennifera (Lindley) I.D. Hook, Occasional on winter-wet areas. Thelymitra flexuosa Endl. Uncommon at edges of winter-wet depressions.

Thelymitra pauciflora R. Br. Uncommon in winter-wet areas.

#### HAEMODORACEAE

Anigozanthos viridis Endl. Occasional on winter-wet soil. Conostylis aculeata R. Br. Abundant on undisturbed sandy soil. Haemodorum simplex Lindley. Occasional on winter-wet soil. Haemodorum spicatum R. Br. Occasional on winter-wet soil. Tribonanthes australis Endl. Common in winter-wet meadows. Tribonanthes violaceae Endl. Common in winter-wet meadows.

### PHILYDRACEAE

Philydrella pygmaea (R. Br.) Caruel. Common in winter-wet areas.

#### COMMELINACEAE

Cartonema philydroides F. Muell. Uncommon on undisturbed sandy soil at eastern end of island.

#### **JUNCACEAE**

Juncus bufonius L. Occasional in winter-wet areas.

Juncus capitatus Weigel. Common on winter-wet soil.

Juncus krausii Hochst. Common at edges of channels, on salt flats and around salt lake.

Juncus subsecundus Wakef. Occasional in winter-wet swamps.

#### CYPERACEAE

Carex fascicularis Sol. ex Boott. Locally common around salt lake and on salt flats. Gahnia trifida Labill. Common around salt lake and at edges of river channels.

Isolepis marginata (Thunb.) A. Dietr. Common in winter-wet meadows.

Isolepis nodosa (Rottb.) R. Br. Occasional along river channels.

Isolepis oldfieldiana (S.T. Blake) K.L. Wilson. Occasional in winter-wet areas.

Isolepis setiformis (S.T. Blake) K.L. Wilson Occasional in swamp.

Isolepis sp. Common in winter-wet areas.

Lepidosperma longitudinale Labill. Occasional in winter-wet areas.

Lepidosperma tenue Benth. Occurs in a winter-wet section of path on south side of island.

Schoenus rigens S.T. Blake. Grows in non-saline winter-wet depressions.

§ Schoenus subfascicularis Kuek. Grows in winter-wet depressions.

#### RESTONIACEAE

§ Leptocarpus aristatus R. Br. Grows in winter-wet depressions. Leptocarpus coangustatus Nees. Widespread and locally abundant in swamps and winter-wet depressions.

## CENTROLEPIDACEAE

Aphelia cyperoides R. Br. Common in winter-wet meadows.

Centrolepis aristata (R. Br.) Roemer & Schultes. Abundant in winter-wet areas.

Centrolepis drammondiana (Nees) Walp. Common in winter-wet areas.

Centrolepis glabra (F. Muell. ex Sonder) Heiron. Common in winter-wet areas.

## POACEAE

- \* Aira caryophyllca L. Common in sandy areas.
- \* Avena fatua L. Common in disturbed areas.
- \* Briza maxima L. Abundant on disturbed sandy soil.
- \* Briza minor L. Common on disturbed sandy soil.
- \* Bromus diandrus Roth. Locally common around houses.
- \* Bromus hordeaceus L. Occasional around houses.
- Cynodon dactylon (L.) Spreading from lawns around houses.
   Danthonia racemosa R. Br. Occasional on sandy soil.
- \* Ehrharta calycina Smith. Common in sandy areas.
- \* Ehrharta longiflora Smith. Common in shady disturbed sandy soil.
- \* Hordeum leporinum Link. Occasional on disturbed sandy soil at western end of island.
- Lagurus ovatus L. Very common in sandy areas.
- \* Lolium perenne L. Common around houses at eastern end of island.
- Lolium rigidum Gaudin. Occasional around houses at eastern end of island. Microlaena stipoides (Labill.) R. Br. Occasional in sandy areas.
- \* Pennisetian clandestinum Hochst, ex Chiov. Occasional around houses.
- \* Piptatherum miliaccum (L.) Cosson. Occasional on disturbed channel bank near houses.
- Poa annua L. Common around houses.
- \* Polypogon monspeliensis (L.) Desf. Occasional in disturbed wet areas.
- \* Sporobolus virginicus (L.) Kunth. Occasional on salt flats.
- \* Stenotaphrum secundatum (Walter) Kuntze. Occurs around houses. Stipa campylachne Nees. Occasional on winter-wet sandy soil. Stipa compressa R. Br. Uncommon on sandy soil.

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\* Vulpia myuros (L.) C. Gmelin. Occasional around houses.

# ANNOTATED LIST OF THE BIRDS OF DORRE ISLAND

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## ABSTRACT

Twenty six species of birds were recorded on the island, including 7 new species, in October 1988. All new species, except the Bush Stone-curlew and Red-capped Plover are summer migrants to Australia. A total of 31 species (22 non-passerines and 9 passerines) have now been recorded on the island over the past 80 years.

Of the five vegetation types on the island, the tall scrub community supports the highest diversity of terrestrial species. In the other four vegetation types, most species appear to be restricted to areas where tall shrubs occur. Only the Calamanthus, Welcome Swallow and Richard's Pipit, appear not to require at least some tall shrubs.